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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant(s): K. HILL, et al.

Serial No.: (not yet assigned)

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For: METHOD OF FABRICATING BRAGG GRATINGS USING A
SILICA GLASS PHASE GRATING MASK AND MASK USED
BY THE SAME

Group:

Examiner:

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

The following preliminary amendments and remarks are respectfully submitted in connection with the above-identified application.

IN THE CROSS REFERENCE TO RELATED APPLICATION:

Line 2, after "application" insert --is a continuation application of U.S. application Serial No. 09/342,707, filed June 29, 1999, which is a

REMARKS

By the above amendment, the cross-reference to related